

The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

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The Honorable E. Pendleton James
Assistant to the President for
Presidential Personnel
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Pen,

This is to recommend Brigadier General William W. Watkin, Jr., for membership on the Panama Canal Commission.

General Watkin graduated from West Point in the class of 1942. He received his Ph.D. in civil engineering and retired from the Army as a Brigadier General in the Engineering Corps some nine or ten years ago. He has since served as Director of the Delaware River Port Authority and knows all about ports and harbors. General Watkin is the brother and brother-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoagland, who were strong supporters in the campaign.

I have met General Watkin and think highly of him.

Yours,

/s/

William J. Casey

cc: Ron Mann
Roger Fontaine